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Re: Applicant(s): Elizabeth A. Dauch and John W. Jacobs  
Assignee: NEC Electronics America, Inc.  
Title: TUNGSTEN PLUG CORROSION PREVENTION METHOD USING WATER  
Application No.: 10/602,291  
Filing Date: June 24, 2003  
Group Art Unit: 2812  
Examiner: Lynne Anne Gurley  
Attorney Docket No.: NEC0252US

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page, in duplicate)
- (3) Response To Advisory Action (8 pages)

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
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**RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in further response to the Final Office Action dated October 18, 2004.  
Since this paper is being submitted within three months of the Final Office Action date, no  
extension of time is required.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.